

ADEPT Public Testimony  
20 February 2025

Aloha and Good morning Council Members, My name is Clark Johnson, AKA “Chip”.  
Community Advocate 4 Positive Change. Today I’m Testifying on Operational and Budgetary Review  
of Maui County D.O.T. (ADEPT-1(4)) and Maui County Ferry Feasibility study (ADEPT-1(1)).

1. Maui Public Transportation System- Maui Bus. I’m making the following recommendations:
  - A. More frequent service: (1) Have an earlier start time for the Wailuku & Kahului Routes, 5:30 am and a later bus at night. (2) increase frequencies to once every 30 minutes.
  - B. Have additional Routes: (1) Bus Route for the Airport ie: Route 7 and an Upcountry Connector that runs between Paia, Makawao and Pukalani. Ie: Route 50.
  - C. Modify the Kihei Villager Route 15, to include Hale Pilinai neighborhood, and the new developments along HWY 31, Pilinai HWY.
  - D. Coordinated Fare Structure between the various Public transportation Systems: Big Island, Kauai, Maui County and Honolulu. (1) Same age for Kupuna state wide(2) Employer discount for using Mass Transit (3) Annual Passes (4) Statewide TAP Card like Oahu. (5)
  - E. Bus Shelters and Benches: I recommend at least shelters at Pilani Village Shopping Center, Paia Town Bus Stops.. and Benches at other stops that don’t have any, that way passengers waiting for the bus have a place to sit (especially the Kupuna and those with physical limitations.
  - F. Coordinated time with ferry service which I’ll discuss next...

2. Ferry Service to neighbor Islands: I have the following concerns and recommendations:
  - A. The environment- Avoiding running into Whales during the winter months, other wildlife..
  - B. Have regular service between Island of Maui, Molokai and Lanai. As an alternative to Air transportation.
  - C. Resident discounted fares as well as fare structure similar to the bus.
  - D. Adequate Funding from Federal government, State and County.

Once again thank you for being here toay and hearing my testimony, Mahalo.  
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